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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	DEC 18 2001	Application Number	09/015,399
		Filing Date	29 January 1998
		First Named Inventor	Ari HINKKANEN
		Group Art Unit	1644
		Examiner Name	G. Ewoldt
		Attorney Docket No.	2328-111
Title of the Invention: A NEW FUSION PROTEIN AND ITS USE IN AN IMMUNOASSAY FOR THE SIMULTANEOUS DETECTION OF AUTOANTIBODIES RELATED TO INSULIN-DEPENDENT DIABETES MELLITUS			

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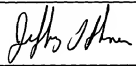
NOTICE OF APPEAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby appeal from the Decision of the Examiner dated 19 June 2001, finally rejecting claims 1-10, 17-21, 23-25, 27 and 28.

This Notice of Appeal is submitted in duplicate, along with the requisite fee.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,					
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